

REMARKS

The above-identified application was allowed in the Notice of Allowability mailed February 9, 2006.

The claims are being re-presented in the instant Amendment after Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 in order to further improve the form of the claims over and above the amendments implemented by the Examiner's Amendment included at pages 2-3 of the Notice of Allowability mailed February 9, 2006.

Accordingly, the re-presentation of claims in the instant paper is fully supported by the specification and drawings, will not require an additional search, and does not raise new issues. Moreover, this re-presentation is not being made to distinguish over any prior art. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that this re-presentation of the claims be entered and the requested changes made.

Statement of the Substance of Examiner Interview

The Examiner issued an Interview Summary form (PTOL-413) regarding the discussion with Applicants' undersigned representative on February 7, 2006. The PTOL-413 sets forth a requirement that Applicants must include a Statement of Substance of Examiner Interview in the formal written reply to the last Office Action. Since the last Office Action is the Notice of Allowability dated February 9, 2006, Applicants submit a Statement of Substance of Examiner Interview as follows.

Applicants undersigned representative spoke by telephone with Examiner Thang V. Tran on February 7, 2006 and authorized particular claim amendments as set forth in the Examiner's Amendment included at pages 2-3 of the Notice of Allowability mailed February 9, 2006.

Applicants undersigned representative placed a follow up telephone call with Examiner Thang V. Tran on February 8, 2006 and indicated to the Examiner that Applicants would now like to implement an additional change to each of independent claims 11, 22 and 28, over and above the changes discussed on February 7, 2006 with the Examiner.

After Applicants desired new changes were discussed with the Examiner, the Examiner noted that he had already sent the case to the Issue Branch of the USPTO in light of the telephone discussion on February 7, 2006 and that, as a result, he can not easily access the file at that time. Accordingly, the Examiner indicated that Applicants could file an Amendment after Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 if the revised amendments discussed on February 8, 2006 are to be pursued. The Examiner mentioned that he would likely approve these revised Amendments once they are filed in an Amendment after Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312.

The Examiner recommended a minor revision to Applicants' desired revised claim amendments which has been implemented in the instant Amendment after Allowance. In addition, after the discussion with the Examiner on February 8, 2006, Applicants noticed that the reading of the claims might be even further clarified by changing "or" to --and-- between the recitations of the second and first areas.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the above-discussed further changes to claims 11, 22 and 28, as submitted in the instant Amendment after Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 be approved and entered by the Examiner in this application.

CONCLUSION

Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of this response, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative to expedite prosecution.

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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